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RE: Donald and Dion Ligon dba
Ligon Salvage and Surplus

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the Administrative Rules of Montana, 16.2.604, the following Preliminary Environmental Review has been prepared by the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences concerning Donald and Dion Ligon dba/Ligon Salvage and Surplus.

The purpose of the Preliminary Environmental Review is to inform all interested governmental agencies, public groups or individuals of the proposed action and to determine whether or not the action may have a significant effect on the human environment. This Preliminary Environmental Review will be circulated for a period of fifteen (15) days at which time a decision will be made as to our future action.

If you care to comment on this proposed action, please do so within the allotted time.

Sincerely,

Larry D. Mitchell
Solid Waste Management Bureau
Environmental Sciences Division

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
Cogswell Building, Helena, Montana 59620
(406) 449-2821

PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Division/Bureau Environmental Sciences Division/Solid Waste Mangement Bureau

Project or Application Donald and Dion Ligon dba/Ligon Salvage and Surplus

Description of Project Establishing a new motor vehicle wrecking facility on the west edge of Lambert, Montana (see map).

POTENTIAL IMPACT ON PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

	Major	Moderate	Minor	None	Unknown	Comments on Attached Pages
1. Terrestrial & aquatic life and habitats				X		
2. Water quality, quantity and distribution				X		
3. Geology & soil quality, stability and moisture				X		
4. Vegetation cover, quantity and quality				X		
5. Aesthetics			X			X
6. Air quality				X		
7. Unique, endangered, fragile, or limited environmental resources				X		
8. Demands on environmental resources of land, water, air & energy				X		
9. Historical and archaeological sites					X	

POTENTIAL IMPACTS ON HUMAN ENVIRONMENT

	Major	Moderate	Minor	None	Unknown	Comments on Attached Pages
1. Social structures and mores				X		
2. Cultural uniqueness and diversity				X		
3. Local and state tax base & tax revenue			X			X
4. Agricultural or industrial production			X			X
5. Human health				X		
6. Quantity and distribution of community and personal income			X			X
7. Access to and quality of recreational and wilderness activities				X		
8. Quantity and distribution of employment			X			X
9. Distribution and density of population and housing				X		
10. Demands for government services			X			X
11. Industrial & commercial activity			X			X
12. Demands for energy						
13. Locally adopted environmental plans & goals				X		X
14. Transportation networks & traffic flows				X		

Other groups or agencies contacted or which may have overlapping jurisdiction _____

Individuals or groups contributing to this PER. Richland County Junk Vehicle Program

Director _____

Recommendation concerning preparation of EIS not necessary

PER Prepared by: Larry D. Mitchell

Date: July 6, 1983

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POTENTIAL IMPACT ON PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

5. Aesthetics

The state Motor Vehicle Recycling and Disposal law and regulations require that all junk vehicles and motor vehicle wrecking facilities be shielded from public view. Junk vehicles may not be visible from a point six feet above the centerline of any public roadway.

The applicants have proposed some minimal screening with a seven foot high metal fence. The fencing is to be expanded as the facility grows in size.

This facility must be screened from county road #376 north of the site and public roads east and south of the site. The extreme southwest corner of the facility may not require screening as a series of low hills south of the site screen this area from view. The west, north, and east sides of the yard will require shielding primarily from county road #376. The east side and the east end of the south side will need to be screened such that junk vehicles will not be visible from public roads in Lambert to the east. If constructed and maintained in accordance with Rule 16.14.202 ARM "Shielding of Facilities", the aesthetic impact resulting from this project should be minimal or none.

A minor positive aesthetic impact may result by providing a privately operated outlet for junked or abandoned vehicles in the Lambert area.

POTENTIAL IMPACTS ON HUMAN ENVIRONMENT

3. Local and state tax base

6. Quantity and distribution of community and personal income

8. Quantity and distribution of employment

The establishment and successful operation of this facility could have a minor but positive impact on all of the above criteria. This facility is a partnership and should provide some employment/income opportunities to the applicants and any additional employees necessary for the operation. A commercial business on this site should provide a larger tax base than that available from the current unimproved agricultural land use.

4. Agricultural or industrial production

11. Industrial and commercial activity

13. Locally adopted environmental plans and goals

This proposal will replace a three acre unimproved agricultural area with a commercial business use if the facility is expanded to the entire parcel. The site is on the west outskirts of Lambert, Montana and is adjacent to other commercial and agricultural land uses. This facility is

not expected to have any impact on existing or future land uses or trends. Businesses of this type do not typically result in the formation or expansion of other commercial or industrial support businesses.

The establishment and operation of a motor vehicle wrecking facility at this proposed location does not violate any locally adopted land use zoning ordinances according to the Richland County Planning Office.

7. Access to and quality of recreational and wilderness activities

Approximately 1/2 mile west of this facility is the Fox Lake Wildlife Management Area. This shallow alkali bed lake approximately 800-900 acres in size is locally popular for waterfowl and upland game bird hunting. Access to the lake is not affected by this proposal. One of the primary access routes to the area passes by this facility. There may be a perception by some users that a nearby wrecking facility somehow reduces the quality of the recreational experience due to aesthetics. However, if the facility is properly screened and operated, this impact should not be evident.

10. Demand for government services

Routine inspections by state and local junk vehicle program officials will be required to assure that the facility is being maintained and operated in compliance with the Motor Vehicle Recycling and Disposal law and rule. There may be a minor increase in demand for such government services as fire protection, law enforcement and solid waste disposal as a result of this proposal. These impacts are not expected to be significant.

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
Environmental Sciences Division
Solid Waste Management Bureau
Helena, Montana 59601

MOTOR VEHICLE WRECKING FACILITY

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

Complete this form and return with attachments to: Solid Waste Management Bureau
Montana Department of Health and
Environmental Sciences
Room A201, Cogswell Building
Helena, MT 59620

- 1) Name of applicant: Donald W. and Dion F. Ligon
- 2) Name of facility: Ligon Salvage and Surplus
- 3) Address: Box 231 Lambert, Montana 59243
- 4) Size and legal description of facility: N. W. 1/4 of Sec. 11, T 22 N.,
R 55 E. P.M.M. Richland County, Montana. Certificate of Survey
27-240, Book A-113, Page 298
- 5) If you are not the owner of the premises, give name and address of lessor who holds title to the property:
Name: _____
Address: _____
- 6) Attachments: a) Map of city or county showing proposed location of facility.
b) Drawing of proposed facility showing especially the type and adequacy of shielding of facility from public view and location of buildings.
- 7) I hereby certify that the site of the planned motor vehicle wrecking facility is in accordance with local government zoning and ordinances (to be signed by appropriate local government official having knowledge of local zoning ordinances).
TITLE: Sharon Hausen, planning director
OF: Richland County M.T.
(city or county)

8) Date (year and month) that your facility will begin operation: _____

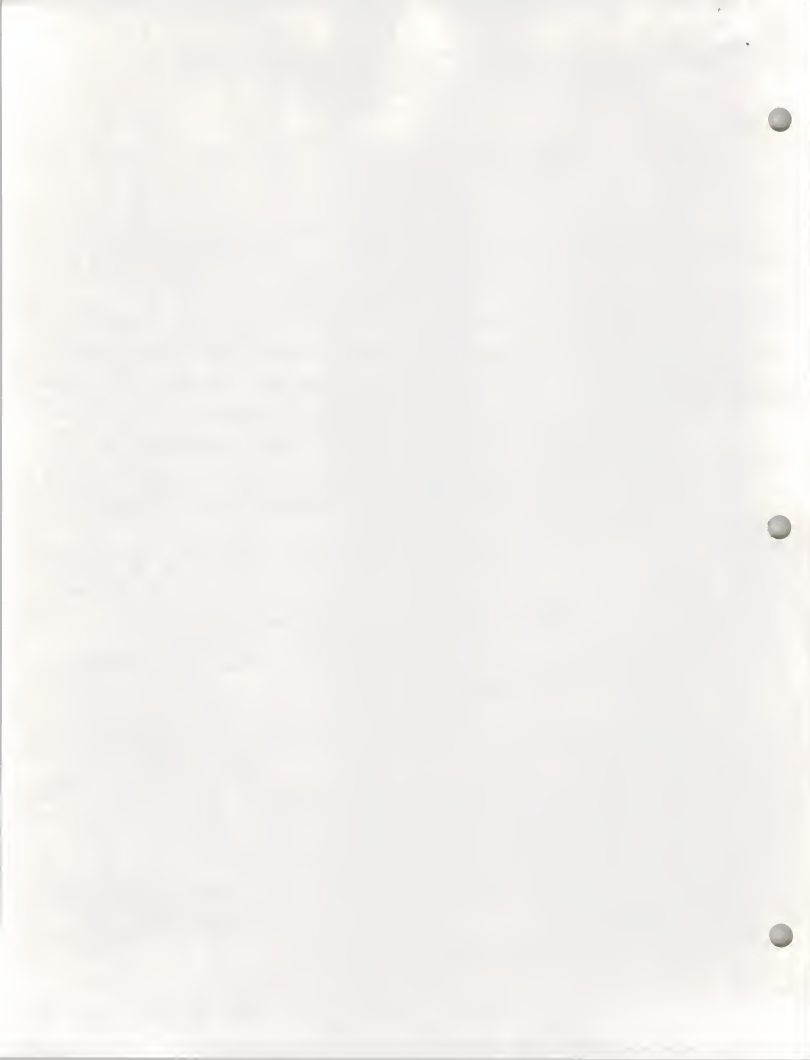
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: Donald W. Ligon PHONE: 406 774-3383

TITLE: Co-owner DATE: 5-11-1983

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road curves
off away from yard.

County Road 376

fencing needed

con. storage

length of this
fence will be determined
by how far back
(fencing needed)

fencing needed

Entry Road

Truck house

Street

R.R.

fencing needed

low hills will
shield the remaining
Backside

Road about 1 mile away

P.S.

Contours 20 feet
Dotted line
Contours = 10 feet

